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Today's weather: Light variable, mainly southeasterly winds; cloudy, with scattered drizzle and fog patches in approach.  
Noon Observations: Barometric pressure, 1013.2 mbs., 29.82 in. Temperature, 75.5 deg. F. Dew point, 70 deg. F. Relative humidity, 84. Wind direction, West. Wind force, 3 knots. High water: 7 ft. 1 in. at 6.11 p.m. Low water: 0 ft. 1 in. at 2.10 a.m. (Saturday).

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## China's New Premier

HO YING-CHIN  
ACCEPTS JOB

Nanking, Mar. 11.—General Ho Ying-chin, former Minister of National Defence, late last night accepted nomination as Nationalist China's new Premier, succeeding Mr. Sun Fo, it was authoritatively learned this morning.

Acting President Li Tsung-jen will later today inform the Legislative Yuan of General Ho's acceptance and will ask the Yuan to confirm the appointment.

General Ho is now expected to return to Nanking from Hangchow sometime today or tomorrow to begin the process of Cabinet formation.

This development occurred a few hours after the return to Nanking of General Chang Chih-chung, the Acting President's firm supporter, who came back by air from the north, near Fenghuang, where he had been in contact with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

### CHIANG APPROVES

Reuter understood that the Generalissimo had approved General Ho Ying-chin's appointment as the nation's new peace Premier in succession to Mr. Sun Fo.

General Chang Chih-chung confirmed to Reuters that General Ho had accepted the nomination as the new Premier in a long telephone conversation from Hangchow.

The task of his Cabinet will be to expedite the search for peace with the Chinese Communists and implement the sweeping social reforms promulgated by acting President Li Tsung-jen.

General Ho, leader of the important Whampoa Military Academy clique of the Kuomintang, served for a time at Lake Success as China's representative on the United Nations Military Committee.

He is known to favour the Socialist policies of the British Labour Party and observers here expect him to apply these principles to the reform programme of his new Cabinet. Reuter-AAP.



GEN. HO YING-CHIN

## Tough Time For Troops In Malaya

London, Mar. 10.—The British troops in Malaya were fighting in conditions "as bad as can be experienced anywhere," but they were performing their tasks with "great vigour," Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, the War Minister, told the House of Commons today.

Mr. Shinwell was introducing the Army Estimates. He began by saying that additional responsibilities imposed on the Army had prevented the change from a wartime to a peacetime organisation being as smooth as was desired.

He then referred to Malaya: "In June, 1948, the civil authorities in Malaya, faced with a campaign to overthrow the administration and to dislocate the economic life of the country, asked the Army to assist in maintaining order," he said.

### SYSTEMATIC MURDER

"Some thousands of well-armed Chinese, operating from bases deep in the jungle, were following a systematic policy of murder and intimidation, together with the destruction of buildings, machinery and rubber plantations."

"Since June, in addition to the 4th Hussars and other reinforcements, the Guards Brigade has been sent from the United Kingdom. It was naturally some time before these reinforcements could be acclimatised but they are now operating with much efficiency against an enemy who is favoured with every military factor, except that of equipment and supply."

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## JEWISH TROOPS REACH RED SEA COAST

## Second Force Driving Down Negev Valley

Amman, Mar. 10.—A Jewish force, reported last night to be advancing through the South Palestine Negev desert towards the Transjordan frontier, has now established itself on the Red Sea coast, it was learned from usually reliable quarters here today.

It was stated to be digging in and waiting to link up with a larger force advancing along the Wadi Araba. This force, these sources added, which include heavy tanks, was driving south down the Araba Valley in the Eastern Negev area of Southern Palestine close to the Transjordan frontier.

The latest reports received by the Transjordan Defence Ministry said the Jewish armoured force had been repulsed by the Transjordan Arab Legion in fighting today. This fight was said to be taking place at Gharrandal, to the south of Ghamma, 30 miles north of Akaba, where the Arab Legion barred the way of the Jewish column.

At Ghamma, a Jewish detachment from their main column was authoritatively stated to have penetrated eight kilometres into Transjordan territory yesterday, reaching El Risha Plain.

The Jewish units tried to cut off an Arab Legion outpost which gave battle.

Arab Legion sources said the Jewish armoured brigade comprised several heavy tanks carrying 75-mm guns, besides heavy armoured vehicles of various types.

According to authoritative sources in the capital tonight, the small Israeli force on the Gulf of Akaba consists of men on motor cycles and in jeeps. They have reached Umun Reshresh, on the coast about three miles in a direct line from Akaba.

Umun Reshresh lies on the road linking Akaba and Egypt, and it is believed in Amman that if the Israelis consolidate their positions there, the British force—the "Oulton" Force—in Akaba will be cut off from its headquarters in Egypt except by sea.

Arab Legion sources said it has been established that the Jewish plan was to reach the Gulf of Akaba. The forces entrusted with the task followed the Wadi Araba, a continuation of the Dead Sea declivity, which forms a natural boundary between Palestine and Transjordan.

The Transjordan Government, it was stated authoritatively here, claimed to control the Southern Palestine district of the Negev. This triangle had its apex at the point of Akaba and a base 70 kilometres inland, stretching from Ghamma to the Egyptian-Palestine frontier to the west.

It was stated authoritatively here that intense Israeli patrol activity had been noticed inside the South Negev wedge—less than 10 miles broad on the shores of the Gulf of Akaba—since February 25.

On February 27, one patrol was engaged in a light skirmish with Legionnaires.

The South Palestine Negev wedge, from which the Israeli troop movements were reported, rests on the shores of the Gulf. Within a 15-mile circuit along the Gulf's coastline lie the frontiers of four countries—Egypt, Palestine, Transjordan and Saudi Arabia.

Israel has been credited with plans to build a port on the Gulf, which would give her an outlet to the Red Sea.

Under the recent Israeli-Egyptian armistice, a north-south line was drawn through the Negev. West of this line, as far as the Egyptian frontier, the Israelis were given freedom of civilian movement, but agreed to limit their military forces.

It is to the east of the line, in territory not covered by this armistice, that Israeli forces were reported to be on the move.

**NO ALTERNATIVE**  
The Transjordan Government was understood to have been keeping the Palestine true observers informed.

Well-informed sources in Amman said Jewish units were entrenched at Ras Negev, shown on the map as Egyptian territory. A Jewish force advancing along the Sinai Desert fringe had no alternative but to cross Egyptian territory, it was stated.

Their course would be dictated by the terrain. It was not clear here whether the Egyptian Government would regard the Jewish action as a violation of the recently concluded Rhodes armistice.

It was noted here that none of today's denials from Tel-Aviv contradicted reports that Israeli troops had been moving south through the Negev to the Palestine coast.

The denials were confined to stating that the Transjordan frontier had not been crossed at any point and that no clashes with King Abdullah's Arab Legion had taken place.

At Beed, Dr. Ralph Bunche, the acting United Nations Mediator for Palestine, announced tonight that he had received no official reports from his staff in Palestine on the reported Israeli advance towards the Transjordan part of Akaba. He said he had asked United Nations observers to check and report to him.—Reuter.

## Smuts' Party Winning S. African Elections

Pretoria, Mar. 10.—The Nationalist Party of the Prime Minister, Mr. D. F. Malan, had secured only 48 seats in the South African provincial elections up to 5 p.m. local time today against 70 to the United Party of Field Marshal Jan Smuts.

Details: Transvaal (66 seats): United Party 26, Nationalists 18, Labour 2, Independent 2.

Natal (25 seats): United Party 21, Independent 1.

Free State (25 seats): Nationalists 22, United Party 1.

Cape Province (55 seats): United Party 22, Nationalists 8, Labour 1.

The remaining results still to come in are from rural areas where the Nationalists are strong.—Associated Press.

## Mother-In-Law Listens-In To Triple Slaying

New York, Mar. 10.—Detectives reconstructed today the fatal love triangle shooting in which a sea-going husband killed his wife, her lover and himself while his mother-in-law listened in on a Hollywood telephone 3,000 miles away.

The shooting occurred in the lavish London Terrace apartment of David Whittaker, 35, assistant to the President of the Universal Camera Corporation. The victims of the tragedy were Whittaker, Mrs. Norma Holt, 30, secretary to the President of Universal Camera, and her husband, Emory, 35, chief engineer in the Merchant Marine.

The police learned of the shooting which took place at 9.30 last night when they received a phone call from Mrs. Otto Githens, wife of the camera company's President. Mrs. Githens had been told of the shooting by Mrs. Elsie Thomas of Hollywood, mother of Mrs. Holt.

Mrs. Thomas heard the shooting by long distance from her home.

The detectives found three bodies. The neighbours heard no disturbance because exclusive apartments in the building are sound-proofed. Mrs. Holt's body, clad in a silk print blouse and a dark blue skirt, lay on a sofa with a bullet in her head and another in her left breast.

**TELEPHONE DRAMA**  
Whittaker, wearing a dark business suit, was sitting on the sofa and shot three times in the right temple, chest and left forearm.

Holt, with a single bullet in his heart, was slumped over the chair still clutching a Luger. In his pockets were 50 extra bullets for the gun.

Mrs. Thomas said she received a telephone call from Whittaker shortly before 9.30 p.m. Before he could say more than an ordinary greeting Holt broke in on the call. She explained, "Emory got on the phone and said, 'Mama, please forgive me. I knew that he and Norma had been planning to get a divorce and I was afraid that he might do something violent. I pleaded with him but he said, 'It's too late, mama.' Then I heard three shots ring out. I dropped the phone and fell over in hysterics."

The detectives said that Whittaker arrived at his apartment at about 8.15 p.m. The Holt couple arrived half an hour later. Holt apparently was determined to have a showdown over the divorce which he and his wife were planning.

In Holt's apartment in an exclusive Brooklyn section, the detectives found a suicide note left by the husband which said, "In the event of death, cremate me and scatter my ashes on the sands so they can be carried out to the sea."—United Press.

## RUSSIAN WHEAT FOR WORLD

Washington, Mar. 10.—Russia will provide 50 million bushels of the annual 505 million bushels of wheat to be supplied by exporting countries under a proposed new international wheat agreement, according to reliable information here today.

Russia had asked for a share of one-fifth in the world's wheat exports in earlier negotiations. There was no explanation how she had been persuaded to accept half that amount.—Reuter.

## "Axis Sally" Guilty Of Treason

### Russian Indicted By Grand Jury

Washington, Mar. 10.—The Federal Court jury today found Mildred "Axis Sally" Gillars guilty of treason for making wartime propaganda broadcasts for the Nazis.

The 48-year-old Maine-born actress faces a sentence ranging from five years' imprisonment and US\$10,000 fine to death.

The jury of seven men and five women reached the verdict 28 hours 23 minutes after they began deliberations.

The defence immediately announced it would appeal. It has five days in which to ask for a new trial. If the judge, Mr. Edward Curran, denies the motion, he can pass sentence at his convenience.

The silvery-haired defendant listened with head erect and no show of emotion as the word "guilty" rang out in the courtroom.

The jury decided that she "willfully" betrayed her country when she took part in a broadcast from Germany, entitled "Vision of Invasion," in May 1944, describing the horrors awaiting invaders.

Other overt acts with which she was charged were ignored by the jury.—United Press.

### TO STAND TRIAL

New York, Mar. 10.—A Federal Grand Jury today returned espionage indictments against Judith Coplon, 27-year-old Department of Justice employee, and Valentine A. Gubitchev, 32-year-old Russian engineer employed by the United Nations.

They are indicted on four counts. One count said Miss Coplon delivered to Gubitchev information relating to national defence, including intelligence reports relating to espionage and counter-espionage activities in the United States.

Gubitchev and Miss Coplon were arrested here last Friday night after Federal Bureau of Investigation agents had trailed them through New York streets.

Gubitchev was suspended from his United Nations post last Saturday. United Nations officials said he did not possess diplomatic immunity although Soviet officials have unsuccessfully demanded his release.

The action of the Grand Jury means the case will now go for trial.—Reuter.

### EDITORIAL

## India Is Making A Mistake

PANDIT Nehru's announcement that India's withdrawal from the British Commonwealth is only a few months away was not entirely unexpected. Despite the flowery talk of old ties and future co-operation which followed the creation of the two new Dominions of India and Pakistan, it has always been plain that nothing less than complete independence would satisfy the intensely nationalistic Indian leaders. Mr. Nehru said in his announcement of the new Republic that India was cutting herself free to play the role of world peace-maker. An India free of outside alliances and obligations, he said, could best serve the world, as a meeting place for East and West. However, the timing of Mr. Nehru's announcement, coming as it does against a background of growing discontent and revolution in Asia, seems unwise. Indeed, it suggests that he has been influenced more by an urge to see India established as the leader of the Asian countries than by a desire to avert a third world war. The revolutionary movements in Asia—from China south to Indonesia, in Burma and Malaya—are changing the strategic map of the world. The spread of Communism among the Asian millions is recognised as one of the main dangers facing the West—not to mention India herself. In these circumstances it would seem that, both from the point of view of averting another war, and from safeguarding her own independence, India should be strengthening, rather than weakening, her links with the West. In fact, many observers have seen the two recent meetings in Delhi—on Indonesia and Burma—as an attempt by India to take the lead in a closer association of

West and East to solve the problems by which both are jointly faced. With Communists in the leadership, or striving towards it, throughout Asia, this alliance of West and East becomes essential. Britain, by virtue of her "lifeline" routes through the Indian Ocean and the South China seas to Australia, New Zealand, and the rich reservoir of Malaya, is intimately affected by the trend of Communism in the Far East. Holland, too, and France depend to a great extent upon their supplies from this area. Any further Red successes in Asia may well wreck the chances of European recovery, upon which, it is acknowledged, the future of the world depends. India herself now faces the rumblings of Communist discontent within her own borders, and with the example of Burma so fresh in Mr. Nehru's mind his decision to cut India's ties with the West seems even more strange. The course of events makes India, whether Mr. Nehru likes it or not, the West's main ally in the East. The Western Powers are faced with the necessity for reaching new agreements with the countries which are still free of the Communist menace, and with the Governments in those countries which are fighting it. The realisation is growing that the Western Powers can no longer stand in the way of genuine nationalism in the East. Britain's withdrawal from India, it was thought at the time, would go a long way to proving her good faith. But Mr. Nehru is apparently not satisfied. It would be a pity if his ultra-nationalism were allowed to sabotage an alliance of West and East to combat the growing incursions of Communism.

### IN CRITICAL CONDITION

He said a policeman fired when Ramsdell shot him in the stomach. There were captured 15 hours after the robbery, in which they escaped with more than \$1,000.

Detectives said they found several hundred dollars in the men's pockets. Ramsdell's condition is reported to be "critical."

Boarding the express as ordinary passengers, the two ordered the crew to pull into a siding and went to every compartment, forcing many of the 150 passengers to their knees as they stripped them of jewels and money at gunpoint.

They climbed out the pockets of the engine crew before leaving the train and then descended on a nightclub in a nearby town, robbed the guests and got away in stolen cars.—Reuter.

### BUDGET DAY, APRIL 6

London, Mar. 10.—Britain's Budget Day is to be on April 6, Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Lord President of the Council, announced in Parliament today.—Reuter.

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rear, which is controlled by a self-cord tie that permits  
one to open the fullness flat for easy ironing after the  
laundry wash.

Margaret Newman

# WOMANSENSE

## Girl Discovers Berlin Airlift Exciting

By Alma DeLuce

BERLIN. I REALLY had not ex-  
pected to be a hitch-  
hiker. But the fog was  
so thick in Frankfurt,  
the capital of the American  
Zone in western Germany,  
that nothing flew for nearly  
three days. Commercial  
planes were still grounded  
when the Berlin blockade-  
busters began taking off  
again.

The woods around the  
Rhein-Main airport looked  
like a setting for "The Snow  
Maiden." The C-54's were  
zooming off into the mist  
like streetcars passing a  
downtown street corner.  
One every four or five  
minutes.

Changed into overalls, I  
climbed up an eight-foot ladder  
and into my ship. Flight En-  
gineer L. E. Eichenlaub, of Mt.  
Vernon, Washington, took my  
hat-box and week-end bag up  
past the dusty piles of flour  
sacks to the crew compartment.

I sat on the lower bunk in  
what the crew call their bed-  
room, just behind the radio  
controls. It was strewn with  
parachutes and other gear.

"No seat belts here," said  
Engineer Eichenlaub, "just hold  
on."

Before I knew it, we were in  
the air. Dense fog streamed  
past the port-hole window. Then  
sunshine came pouring in. We  
were up 500 feet and it was  
quite clear.

Lt. G. W. Kimmons was flying  
on a beam. He made it seem  
easy. He said he was a long  
way from home in Akron, Ohio,  
and even farther from his last  
navy assignment—flying be-  
tween Honolulu and Guam.

He and his co-pilot, Ensign W.  
A. Nimmer, of Gary, Nebraska,  
and his engineer had come over  
together in a transferred Pacific  
squadron. They were the first  
navy crew to cross the Atlantic  
to join the airlift.

### One Night Out

THEY had one night out in  
Paris, but mostly for two  
months they had been contend-  
ing with Germany's cold and  
dark. Their squadron had 12  
planes and had set a record of  
40 flights to Berlin in 24 hours.

I asked if we were sure of  
being able to land at Tempelhof  
field in Berlin, because weather  
reports from there hadn't been  
too reassuring and we would  
arrive after dark. The young  
pilot grinned.

"They tell us that if the ceil-  
ing is less than 500 feet, the  
landing is done at a pilot's own  
discretion," he said. "My own  
limit is 400 feet. As far as I'm  
concerned, there are always  
three VIPs aboard—me, my co-  
pilot and my engineer. We're  
all very important persons. If  
it's less than 400, we'll go over to  
Fassberg, in the British Zone.  
That flour sack there is worth  
only a minimum risk."

Over Fulda, I was given a  
chance to broadcast our identifi-  
cation and position signal to a  
ground station.

"It makes a nice change to  
hear a woman's voice on our  
communications system," Lieu-  
tenant Kimmons said.

I'd barely concluded the signal  
with "Roger!" when a baritone

voice came through my ear-  
phones.

"Hey, Babe, when did you  
leave California?"

I thought this proved the sys-  
tem has remarkable clarity, at  
least for California accents.

The sun had set before we  
neared Berlin after 100 minutes  
in the air. Any other city  
might have danced with lights.  
But most of Berlin was dark.  
Airlift coal is precious here and  
electricity is skimpy.

Tempelhof's GCA—ground  
control for approach—started  
directing us vocally. We circled  
according to instructions. A  
steady stream of precise infor-  
mation came over the radio—  
altitude, speed, time, headings,  
and rate of descent.

Landing in misty darkness,  
even by GCA, impressed me as  
akin to driving blindfolded a  
heavy truck at top speed down a  
sheer mountain grade.

We rushed downward at two  
strings of white, yellow, and red  
lights, marking the Tempelhof  
runway. I was standing up  
clinging tightly to a metal rail-  
ing, and it was more exciting  
than a roller-coaster dip.

### Another Load

ONCE GCA made a correction  
in our descent. Level off!  
You're 60 feet too low."

The pilot pulled the nose up  
for just a moment. GCA okayed  
it. Then we plunged downward  
again.

He touched the runway with-  
out the slightest perceptible jar.  
The co-pilot strained at the  
brakes to shorten our run. We  
curved off to a side strip in the  
wake of a yellow jeep marked  
"Follow me."

The engineer pushed open the  
rear door. An army truck  
quarantined with German work-  
men plus a couple of military  
police backed up in a drizzling  
rain.

Another load of flour from  
Operation Vittles was through  
the Russian blockade.—Asso-  
ciated Press.

## Teaching A Child The Wise Use Of Money

By Garry Cleveland Myers, Ph.D.

ALTHOUGH wise use of  
money is so very important  
for the future success  
of the child, he rarely gains good education in  
handling money wisely.

In the first place nearly every  
child from early infancy onward  
has so much money spent on  
him for mere luxury, has so  
many material things lavished  
upon him, so rarely has his un-  
necessary wants denied, and is  
so encouraged to acquire more  
needless wants, that he has  
almost no experience in learn-  
ing true values of money, and  
that using money well when he  
gets it to spend himself.

Most parents spend money so  
liberally on themselves and their  
children, with so small empha-  
sis on saving, that they are a  
poor example in thrift to their  
growing children. Then with the  
social and commercial pressures  
to spend more and more on  
luxuries for children, more and  
more parents incline to deny  
themselves and to cut down on  
the essential needs of the family,  
so that their children might  
have what other children have.

### Present & Future Needs

Parents seem to grow less and  
less resistant to these pressures.  
The criterion of most parents is  
not so much what they them-  
selves and their children need  
for their present and future  
welfare, but what the children  
want. The prevailing philosophy  
is not that "children should be  
taught in what they need but  
first in what they want."

Wise young parents consider  
the present and future needs  
of the growing child, for his  
health and best education, and  
they plan accordingly. They  
not only deny him what they  
should, beginning with the baby,  
but in a family atmosphere of  
love and companionship, they  
skillfully win him to accept  
wise denials in accordance with  
the family budget and this  
child's welfare.

One of the hardest problems  
is to limit expenditure on the  
growing child and money he  
may spend, when the parents  
have great abundance. Yet the  
child of the well-to-do is in as  
great need as the child of the  
family of very limited income,  
of learning economy and thrift.  
Often he needs this training  
more since he may, eventually,  
have more funds and property  
entrusted to his responsibility.

There is no normal way for  
the average child under fourteen  
or fifteen to earn money, even  
for immediate spending. Of  
course, you can pay him for  
jobs about the home. But if you  
do you will make it hard for  
him to learn to share in normal  
home responsibilities.

For most children an allow-  
ance is desirable. As soon as the  
child begins to receive a small  
allowance to spend as he likes,  
give such a regular time, say  
once a week. When he is  
persuaded to keep the money  
he receives this week to add to  
what he will receive next week  
in order to buy something, he  
has made the greatest step in  
using money well.

### On An Allowance

Most parents think of an  
allowance only as "pocket  
money." But a good allow-  
ance, by the time the child  
is seven, eight or ten in-  
cludes a small amount for  
pocket money (to spend about as  
he pleases) and a bigger amount  
budgeted under groups of regu-  
lar and specific needs (say for  
a week), as for bus fare, lunch,  
school supplies.

Lead to such gradually. Aim  
for the time when your child  
is in high school and he can  
operate on an allowance spread-  
ing over a period of a month,  
gradually including part or all of  
his clothing.

### NEW DEVICES

The electric eye has enabled  
science to build a better rat  
trap, the New England Journal  
of Medicine reports.

The Journal said the new  
gadget is set up with its in-  
visible beam crossing a known  
rat runway.

"When a victim crosses the  
beam he is quietly seized by  
the neck, electrocuted and  
tossed aside, after which this  
supreme effort of the electro-  
cutioner's art promptly resets  
itself," the Journal said.

## Is Your Figure Fashionable?



To slim the thighs, says Movie Star Phillips Coates, gradually lower  
yourself to this position. Then return to erect position, breathing  
deeply as you do so.

By HELEN FOLLETT

LET a woman be round,  
but of a slender roundness,  
if she would have a smart  
figure. Neither over-curves  
nor bones are what the fashion  
designers order. Normal weight  
and measurements make for  
health and well being. The  
heavyweights and the bantam-  
weights should keep that fact  
in mind.

The woman who has taken  
off excess tonnage finds that  
slenderness and energy are  
anonymous. With less weight  
to lug around, she is stirred  
with ambition, and exercise is  
not the horror that it once was.  
And, is she critical of her  
round sisters who love their  
food and leisurely lives too  
much to change? She is!

Changes in fashion are  
products of the times. With  
women more active in all  
fields of endeavor, efficiency is  
an outstanding characteristic.  
Clothes are easy to get into, they  
are designed for comfort. The  
woman with a slender frame  
has no difficulty in finding  
cute duds, but the poor plump

lady isn't so lucky, especially  
if her adipose upholstery is  
not evenly distributed; it may  
all be above the waist line or  
all below.

It is senseless not to make  
an effort to normalise. Torso  
twisting exercises will tighten  
up slack abdominal muscles.  
Rolling on the floor will  
reduce the hips. Swinging  
Indian clubs will take inches  
off of over-developed arms.

The curves of fashion are not  
made of fat; they are made  
of pretty draperies. We will  
never return to the plump,  
placid beauty that was popular  
a generation or two ago.

The woman who understands  
what is meant by a balanced  
diet, and practices it, is the one  
who is going to retain the  
youthful silhouette all her  
life long. Too much fat, sweats  
and starches will build ad-  
ipose cushions; a lack of these  
food elements will bring about  
an appearance of emaciation.  
How you look depends to a  
certain extent upon what you  
eat and how much.

## Let's Eat BY IDA BAILEY ALLEN

### Tempting Party Confections

"YOUR next speaking engage-  
ment is at Leisure  
House," said our host, as he  
whisked us from a broadcast to  
a neat white-trimmed brick  
building facing an attractive  
court yard in the heart of  
Tampa. This is a branch of  
our electric company, where  
they conduct classes for home-  
makers. I'm sure you'll find it  
interesting."

We entered a pleasant ante-  
room decorated in soft, light  
green and opening directly in-  
to the all-electric kitchen—the  
efficient white and chromium  
equipment gleaming against  
walls decorated in the most  
unusual way—the upper half  
done in cheerful yellow, the  
lower in bluish purple—a dis-  
crepant and intriguing kitchen  
colour scheme. Fluorescent  
lights, in the ceiling and direct-  
ly above the range, sink, and  
under the white enamel  
metal storage cabinets, gave  
clear illumination that was  
restful at the same time. The  
floor was covered in light  
gray-green linoleum.

### Glass Windows

"What a wonderful range!"  
exclaimed the Chef. "It even  
has a glass window in the  
broiler compartment. And see  
the nice little auditorium.  
Madame. The decor reminds me  
of Paris. You can see it through  
the connecting door."

The auditorium was square-  
shaped, with light pink walls,  
a huge mosaic panel with a  
tropical scene at one side, and  
on a raised platform at one  
end, a second electric kitchen.  
"Evidently for the demon-  
strations," remarked the Chef.

The big room was filled with  
homemaker students, seated at  
long tables, waiting for the de-  
monstration to start. The sub-

ject was "Party Sweets and  
Confections." I thought you'd  
all like to have the recipes for  
your parties. Here they are,  
with the kind permission of the  
director of Leisure House. All  
measurements level, of course.

### Scotch Shortbread

Work 1 c. butter or margarine  
with a spoon until fluffy and  
creamy; add 1/2 c. confectioner's  
sugar gradually, continuing to  
work with a spoon until light.  
Stir in 2 c. flour, 1/4 tsp. baking  
powder, and 1/4 tsp. salt sifted  
together. Chill until easy to  
handle; then roll and pat the  
dough on a floured board to  
1/4 in. thickness. Cut in desired  
shapes, and arrange on un-  
greased cookie sheets. Bake in  
a moderate oven, 350° F. for  
20-25 min., or until delicately  
brown. A mixture of cinnam-  
on and sugar may be sprink-  
led on top of the cookies before  
baking. Makes 28 (2 in.)  
rounds.

### Pecan Balls

Combine 1 c. fine-rolled  
vanilla wafers, 1 c. fine-chopped  
pecans, 1 c. (4X) sugar, 1/2 c.  
white corn syrup, 2 tsp. cocoa,  
1 tsp. orange rind and 1/4 c.  
orange juice. Shape by hand  
into small balls. Roll in (4X)  
sugar, and chill a few hrs.  
Just before serving, roll again.  
Makes about 60 balls.

### Never-Fail Fudge

Mix 6 tsp. cocoa, 2 c. sugar,  
1 c. milk, and 1 tsp. butter or  
margarine. Cook until 1/4 tsp.,  
when dropped in cold water,  
forms a soft ball. Add 1 tsp.  
vanilla and beat slightly. Add  
1 small pkg. quartered  
marshmallows; stir until melted.  
Add 2 c. fine crushed graham  
crackers. Pour into a buttered  
pan 7" x 11". Half cool and cut  
in inch squares.



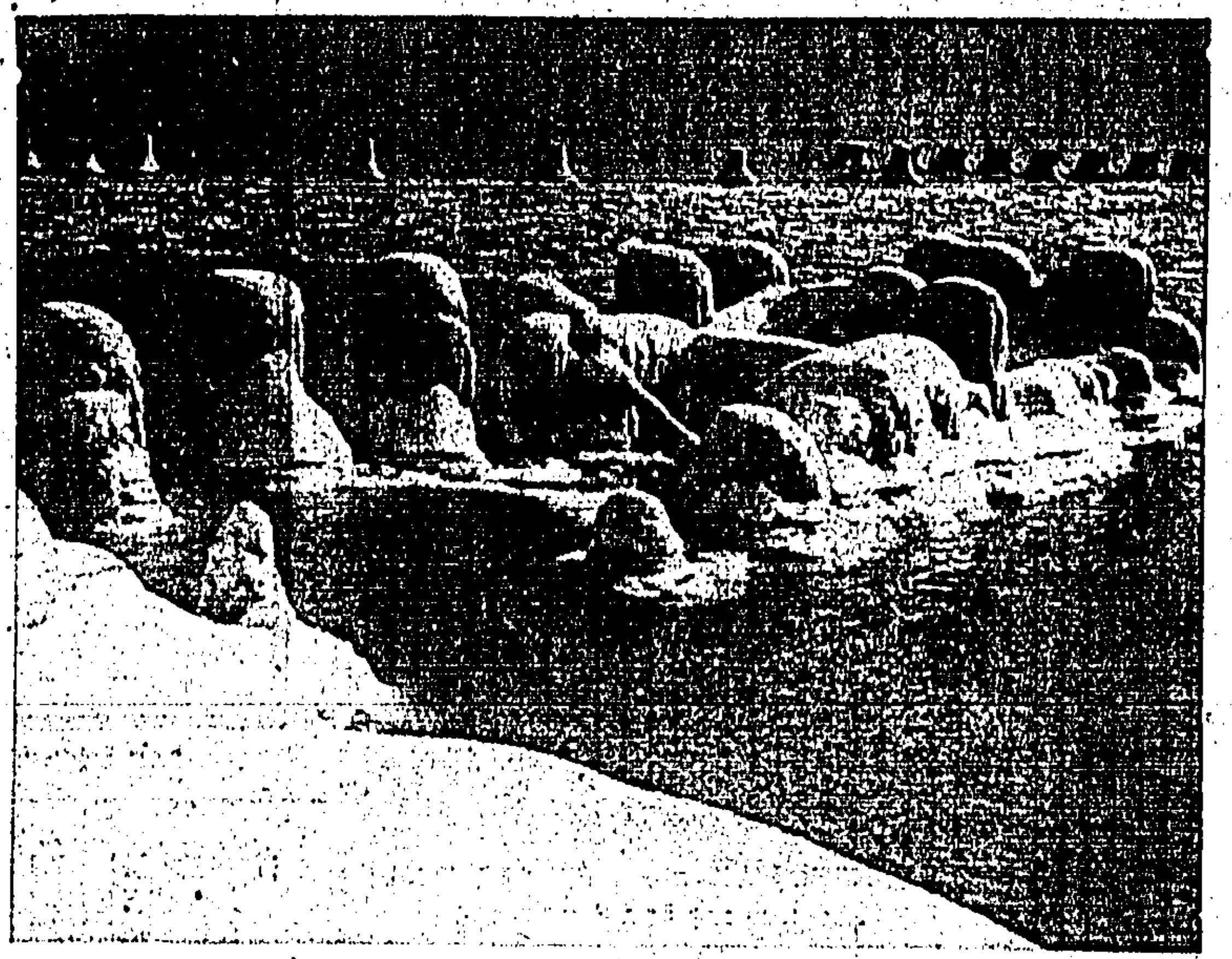
# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**DOG BREEDER**—Charles F. Stack, Jr., arrives in New York aboard the liner America with two pure white German police dogs which will be sent to Boston. To the owner's knowledge, they are the only two of their kind in the world.



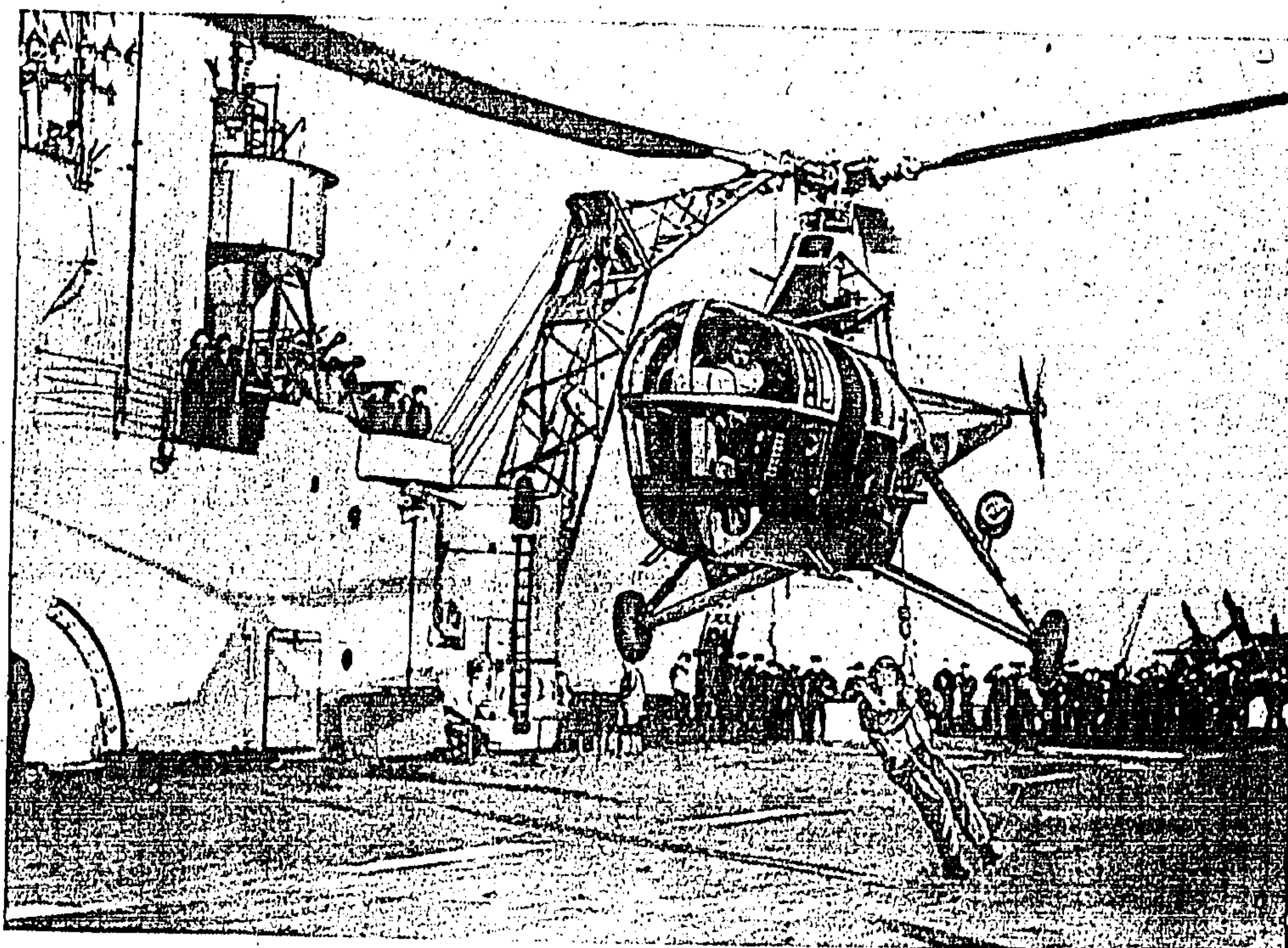
**MUDDLED WORLD**—One of the thousands of refugees from North China now living on sampans on Shanghai's Soochow Creek lights a stove to cook for her family. The men and children have gone ashore to work.



**BRRRR!**—Chicago's beaches look something like this nowadays. But pretty girls will sit on these pilings next summer as other swimmers splash around them with no thought of such weather as this.



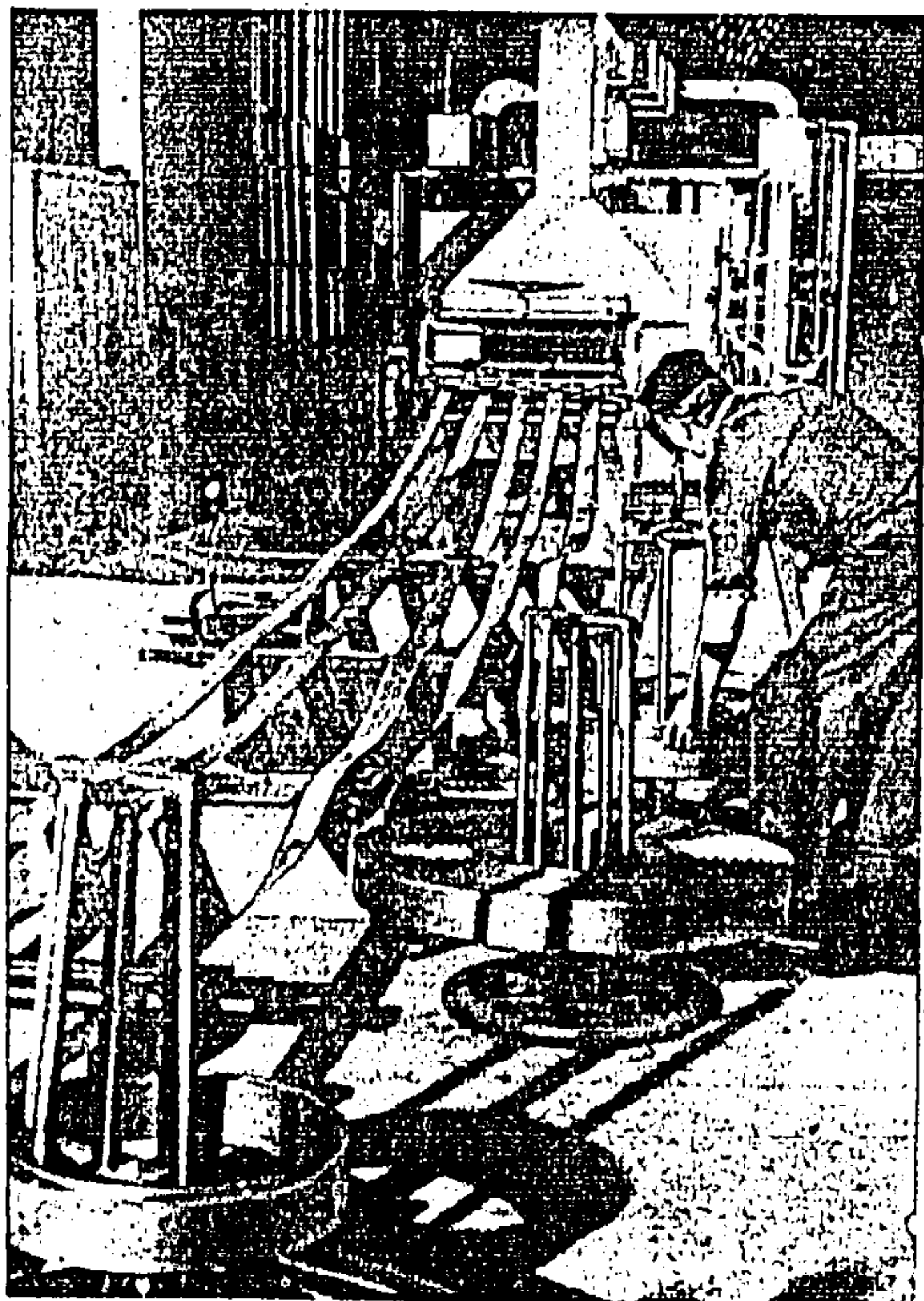
**IN WESTERN GALILEE**—A Czech girl prepares food while the men build wooden houses near Nahariya, northern seaside resort at the Syrian border. Western Galilee is becoming a permanent settlement comprised of 90 American and Canadian Jews plus 35 members of the Beth Haaravah settlement.



**BIG LIFT**—A Fleet Air Arm helicopter picks up a sailor from the deck of the aircraft carrier Vengeance off Portland, England. The demonstration was held to show how injured personnel or important papers could be transferred speedily at sea. The carrier has just returned from a cold weather cruise to the Arctic.



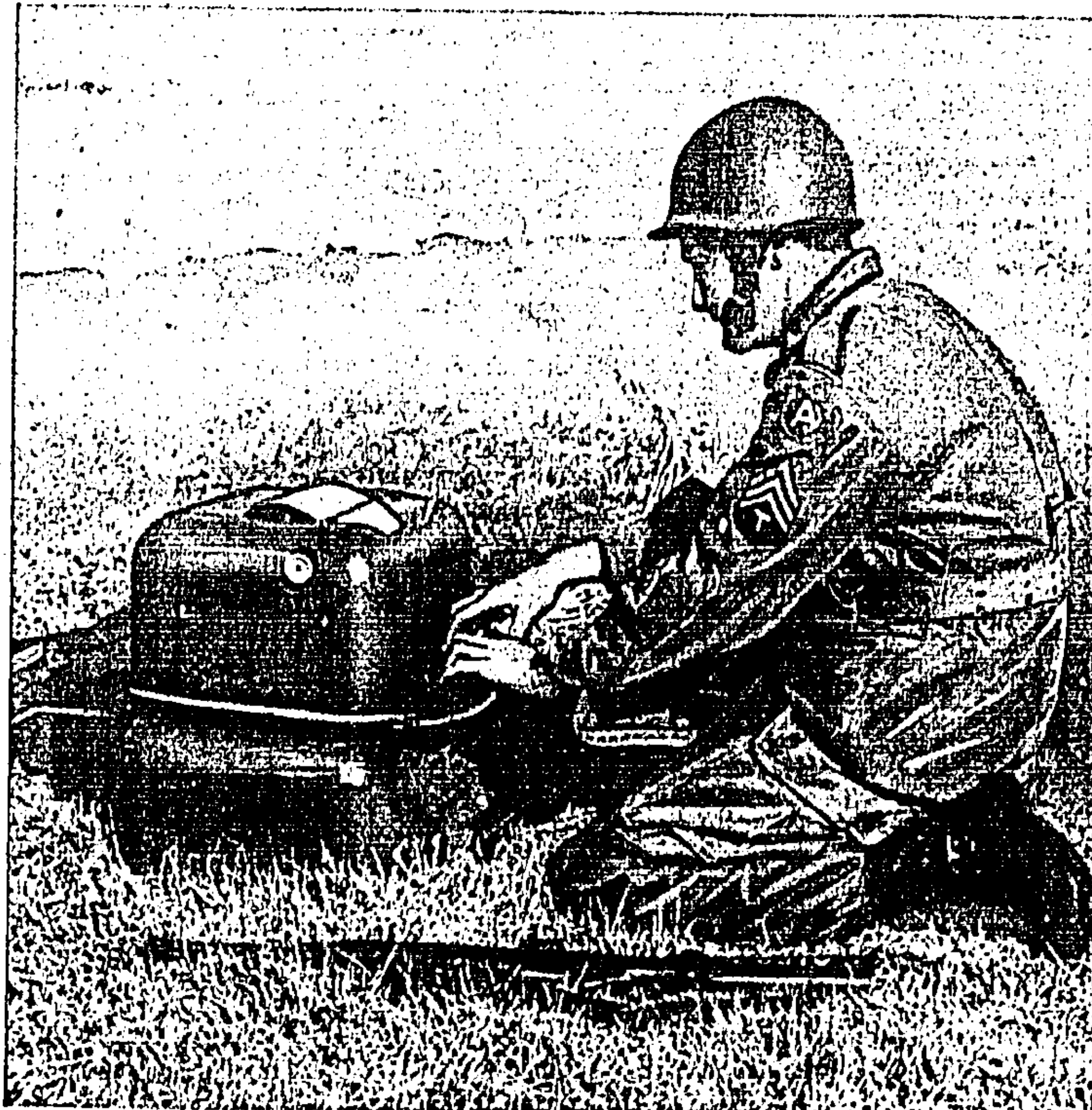
**ATTRACTIVE SOLES**—Joan Verney displays some of the latest "pin-pointed" footwear, which has designs on soles and heels, at London's Shoe and Leather Fair. Many buyers from Europe and Scandinavia attended the show.



**RIBBONS OF STEEL**—These long strands of glittering steel are moving through one of the new automatic, controlled-atmosphere, annealing furnaces at a steel works in Harrison, New Jersey. Precisely regulated heat in the gas-fired furnace gives flexibility to the metal.



**FLORIDA BEAUTY**—Pat Steckman basks in the Miami sunshine in a snug-fitting faillie swim suit with shoulder strap and lightly boned bra.



**AIRBORNE COMMUNICATIONS**—A new portable teleprinter is tested at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. The instrument can be carried by a parachutist and goes into quick action over radio or wire circuits.

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glamorous star says,  
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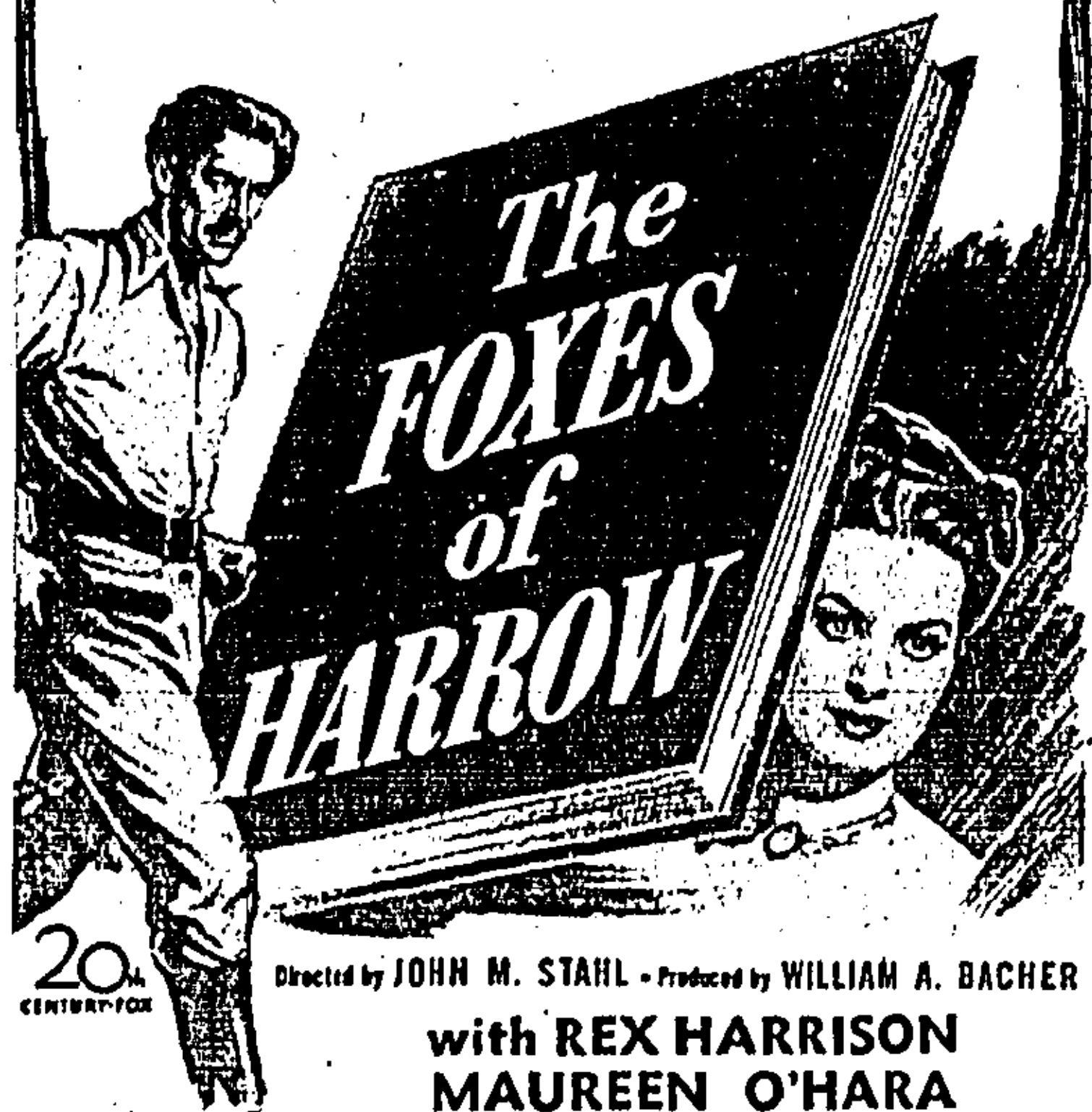
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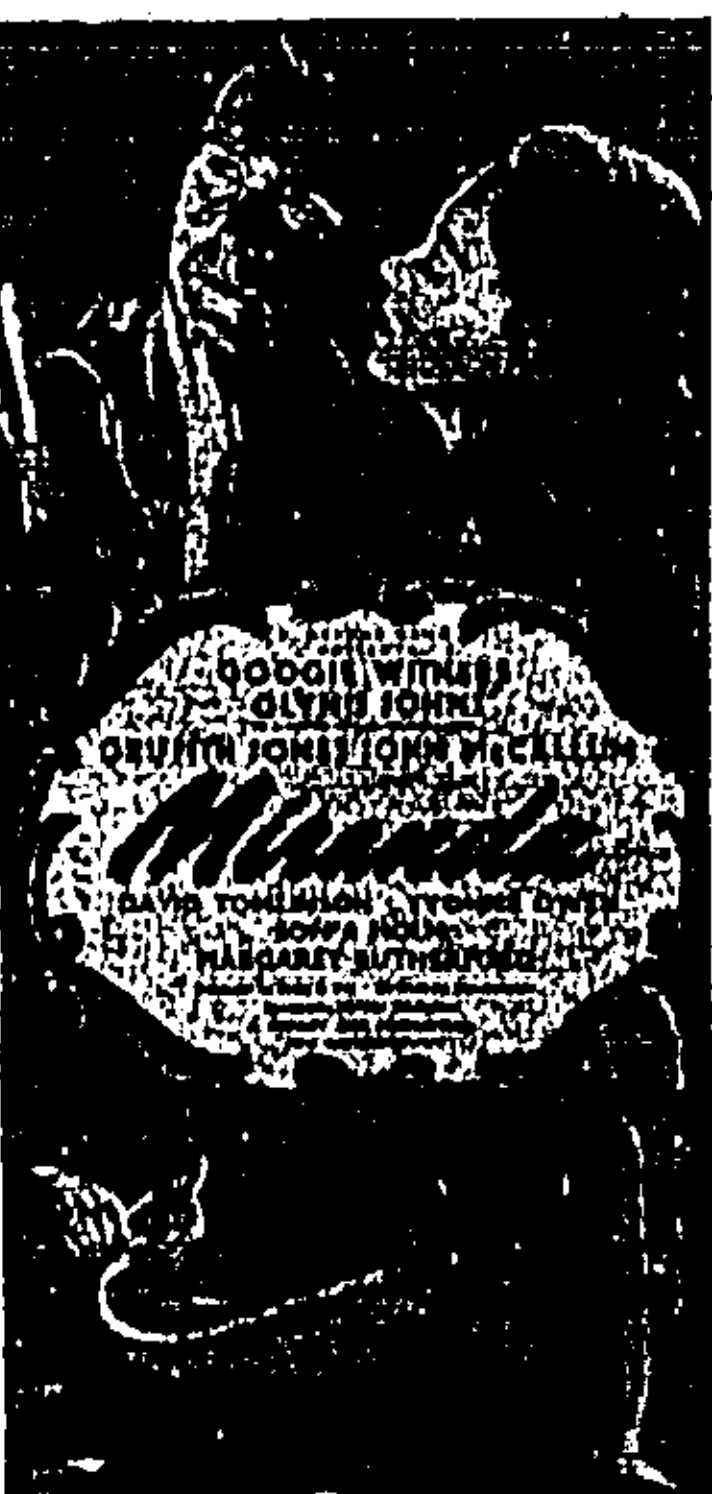
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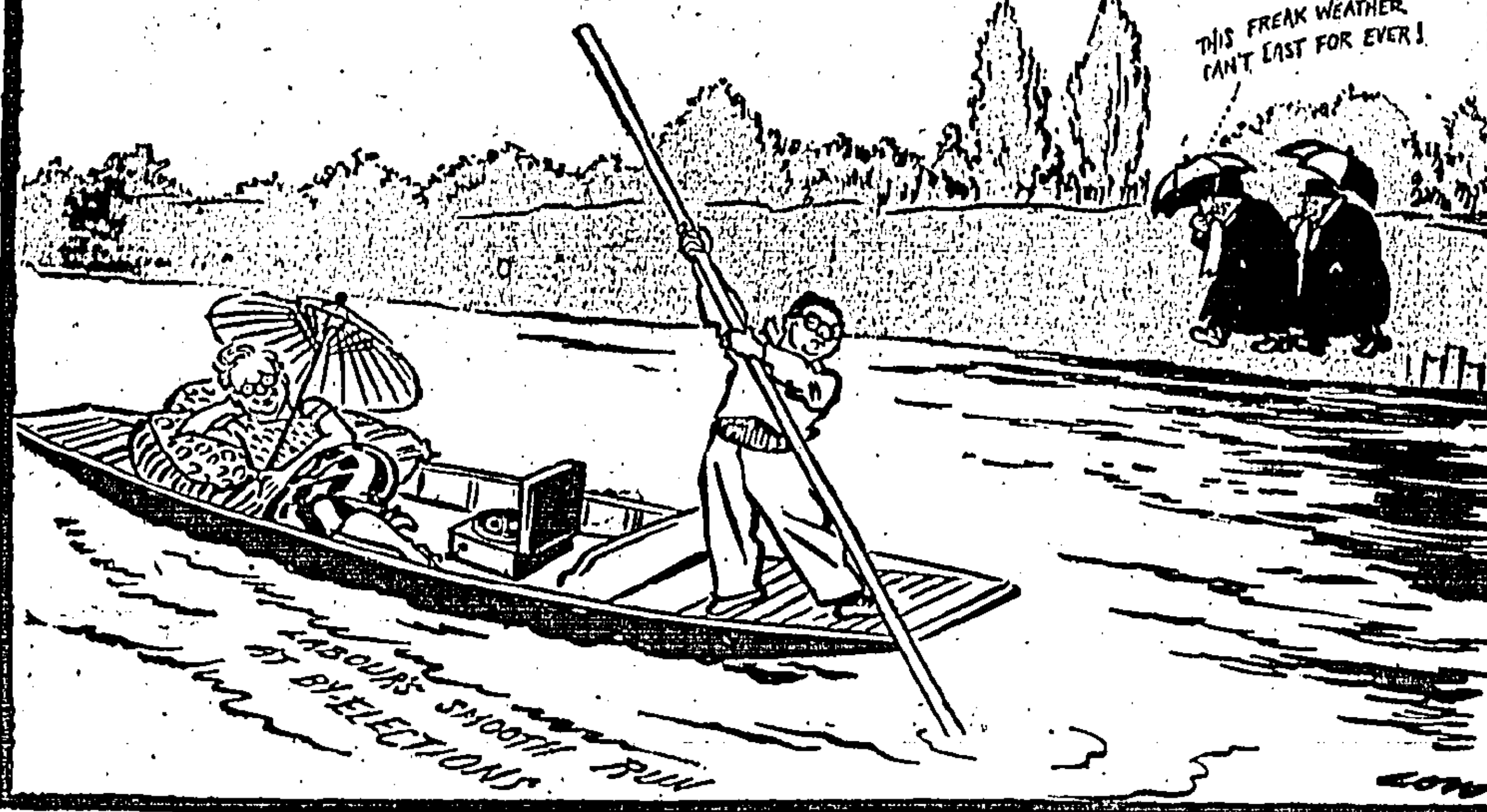
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## THE RUSSIAN WIFE AND CHILD WHO GOT AWAY

WHAT sort of life does a pretty young woman live in Stalin's austere totalitarian paradise—can she be successfully feminine in the patchwork of squalor and splendour, gaiety and terror, the bizarre and the humdrum which the Communist State ordains for its subjects?

The answer seems to be yes, but only if she is wife or mistress to a favoured official, soldier or artist, or if she possesses quite exceptional vitality and charm to offset unlucky relationships.

### No Politician

SUCH an exceptional personality was Tanya Svetlova, now wife of British correspondent, Ronald Matthews.

Tanya, more fortunate than the 15 Russian wives now forbidden by the Soviet Government to join their British husbands abroad, left Russia with Matthews and their baby son in 1944.

Her autobiography, up to that moment, has just been published under the title of *"Russian Child and Russian Wife."*

Tanya Matthews is no politician. Her book is free from propaganda and is fascinating because of its intense personal detail. This lively, brilliant woman set out to describe her adventures during the 25 years after 1919.

It is a galloping record of a life without silk stockings but rich with emotions (there is probably less about clothes than in any other autobiography by a woman).

### "I Protest!"

TANYA, as a student, occupied with lectures and laboratory work all day, is three times "purged," three times reinstated:

"Once every three months there was a *chistka*—a purging in the ranks of the students of socially undesirable elements. At a meeting headed by a member of the *politbureau*—

the Institute's Political Nucleus—each student in turn had to get up and tell the gathering his autobiography, his social origin, and his latest marks in dialectical materialism.

"I was the black sheep of such meetings. My autobiography was very well known to the fellows from the Nucleus, but time and again I had to start 'My father was a doctor.'

"Who was your grandfather?" I was invariably asked.

"My grandfather was a priest, and a very good man, too."

"Put down 'clerical origin,' the chairman of the meeting would say to the secretary, whose duties were to take down the autobiographies of the students.

"I protest!"... but, though I protested at the first purge, at the two that followed I did not protest at all, because I knew the whole procedure by heart. I would be labelled 'one of the clergy,' 'undesirable element,' 'a stranger to the ideology.' They would not listen to my marks in dialectical materialism, which were always excellent. They would simply cross my name off the students' list."

### Secret Police

TANYA works for Americans installing oil-cracking plant in the Caucasus, falling in love with one of them. But she is summoned to the Secret Police Headquarters:

"I was facing a man with stooping shoulders, a broad, peasant face, and small, colourless eyes deeply set. He was sitting at a big desk on which some papers were neatly arranged. He held a pencil in his hand. 'Grazhdanka (citizeness) Svetlova? Sit down please,' said he, and pointed with his pencil at the chair opposite his desk. I felt strangely calm and self-possessed. I sat down.

"Tell me, the man continued in an even, unemotional voice, 'how you came in contact with foreigners. How did it happen that you worked for them and got paid in dollars?' continued the voice.

"It was not exactly work. They needed some help... to fill in the charts... it was a purely technical matter... And, after all, the seven dollars I got was not much...."

"Did they offer you any secret work?" he asked, but when he saw my bewildered expression he explained, 'Did they ask you to be their agent?'

"No, No," cried I, not finding words to convince the man... your country? he went on. I

assured the man I did; that I studied with the idea of being a useful unit in our great country after my graduation.

"I don't mean in that sense," said the man. "Would you like to work for us?"

"How do you mean?" I asked, stupefied. The idea struck me as being something repulsive.

"Keep your ears open and report to us if you hear something unpatriotic," he said.

To escape the Secret Police assignment Tanya married Nick, a film cameraman, from whom she was later divorced, after bearing him a daughter.

human side of the Soviet hierarchy.

"The class distinctions of the Soviet society were rigidly delineated. The very top Kremlin rulers were called, among simple folk, the Royal Family. The Soviet Royal Family consisted of Stalin, his close associates, their wives and children. No one knew anything about the private lives of the Soviet Royal Family.

"Their children (apparently all of them had offspring) were educated in a closed Kremlin school. And when the time came for them to marry (children do grow quickly!) they married

one of the Family, never an outsider.

"All the members of the Soviet Royal Family looked as if they had been chiselled by one sculptor out of the same mould; they were broad and short of stature, broad and blank of face, wearing well-rimmed Politburo moustaches, just like the one Stalin wore. The moustache indicated that they belonged to the class of leaders.

"The next class, directly below the top class, consisted of high grade executives, or the elite. They were the heads of industries, agriculture and propaganda. They enjoyed all the privileges of the Royal Family, only on a smaller scale.

"Then came the class of Pets. The Pets were quite a remarkable class, all of them were distinguished and decorated and titled. Distinguished artists, ballet dancers, painters, writers, composers, poets, scientists, flyers, miners (who stopped being miners after they became distinguished and got governmental jobs), women weavers (who also stopped weaving after they'd distinguished themselves).

"Pets were the cream of the Soviet society. They enjoyed life more than any other members of the multi-class Socialist society, because they had some freedom.

The class of intellectuals, or 'New Soviet intelligentsia,' was a humble mass of hard-working people, the backbone of the country, shabby, overworked, tired people. They did not

### The Classes

TANYA in Moscow during the last winter before Hitler attacked Russia, learning foreign languages, teaching and studying voraciously, noticing the

## 23 youngsters in the seats of the mighty

by A. J. McWHINNIE

WE are in an eighth-floor Westminster boardroom. London is at our feet. Only the highest rooftops are level with our eyes.

Britain's potential Cabinet Ministers of 1970 are in conference at Transport House—sitting in the very leather covered chairs occupied by Government leaders when Labour's National Executive meets.

Round the U-shaped inlaid walnut table where the Labour leaders of today make their vital decisions, the National Consultative Committee of the Labour League of Youth are conferring.

There are 23 of them. Their average age is 21. There are five clerks, a shorthand typist, two electricians, two civil servants, a printer, five university students, an engineer and an engineering apprentice, a chartered accountant's apprentice, a mining engineer, a warehouseman, a girl art teacher, and a research chemist.

Among the subjects they are debating is their big rally at Butlin's Camp, Filey, in September, a nation-wide recruitment drive in June with specially intensive efforts in the big industrial cities, and their application for affiliation to the International Union of Socialist Youth.

They make plans for exchange visits with young Socialists from other lands, and discuss a competition for the words of a League of Youth song to be set to the tune of a rousing marching melody in time for their Filey rally.

Where Mr Attlee, the Prime Minister, sits at National Executive meetings, there today sits 17-year-old Brian Garratt, of Shotton, North Wales, the apprentice electrician—pianist and lover of classical music.

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Chairman of the Labour Party is kindly ex-miner Jim Griffiths, Minister of National Insurance. In his chair now is studious Jack Collins, 20-year-old Co-op clerk, of Belk Street, West Hartlepool—auburn-haired student of social science and already on the Labour Party panel of future municipal candidates.

Jack is presiding over the other 22 Labour Youth leaders from all parts of the country. He makes a good, firm chairman. He steers waffling debates with the insistent words, "We are wasting time, comrades. Keep to the point." He will go far.

But so will several others at this conference.

Constance Johnson, 19-year-old civil servant, of Walker Avenue, Kirkcaldy, Prestwich, Lancashire, pretty daughter of a Tory father, is one. She dislikes dancing, is a devotee of Dickens.

Jean Urquhart, 21-year-old shorthand typist, of Westheath Avenue, Grange-over-Sand, Lancashire, is also pretty. And she also dislikes dancing. She does not like the cinema much. But she is vitally interested in politics.

There is romance in the League of Youth. She is engaged to the secretary of the Paisley League.

Giant of the League is 6ft. 5in. Ken Peay, a clerk of Gloucester-road, Kingston, Surrey. He is 22, a great "worker" for Labour in the Southern region. He is engaged to the treasurer of his local party.

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Alan Woods, the 23-year-old warehouseman of New Walk, Leicester, was working on radar with the Navy for 3½ years. He is here representing the East Midlands region.

Among the five students is Humphrey Cole, of Cambridge, dark, tousled, broad, pipe-smoking 20-year-old in the wide-collared cream sweater. He is the son of G. D. H. Cole, noted economist and author.

This mining engineer is 21-year-old Gregor MacKenzie, of Albert Road, Langside, Glasgow, university graduate and one of the Labour candidates for Glasgow Council.

With him is Bruce Millan, of Kinloch-street, Dundee, the same age, apprenticed to a chartered accountant, interested in sociology, a League of Youth member for only three months. He was a soldier in Italy and Austria.

Then there is Donald Kinsey, of School Cottages, North Town, Taunton, amateur boxer son of a Liberal father.

Watch these youngsters. It is from them, and the thousands of other League of Youth members, that the vital energy and sparkle in electioneering will come.

### Bombing, Hunger

TANYA, still in Moscow, underwent bombing and hunger. One day in 1942 she was called to the Hotel Metropole, headquarters of the foreign newspapermen. She was appointed secretary to Ronald Matthews.

"Suddenly my way was blocked by the border official. He told me I was wanted at the Secret Police office. I was stunned. Ronald went with me. In a bright office the chief asked us to sit down, and said, pointing at me: 'You cannot proceed any further.'

"Why? I cried. 'Your passport is wrong, was his laconic reply. 'Show me what is wrong in it.' 'I can't show you anything. I have a telegram from Moscow ordering me to hold you up.'

"For how long?" I gasped. "I don't know. I wait for my orders from Moscow." "But I have a small baby!" "I can't do anything for you. Your husband can leave on this plane."

### No Alteration

"RONALD refused. The audience was over. We walked out of the office to see our plane take off.

"Three days later... there was a knock at the door and an interpreter informed us that we were allowed to leave. They were holding up the plane on the airfield and they wanted us to pack quickly.

"Within ten minutes everything was packed and my son wrapped up in a warm blanket. At the airfield my passport was handed back to me by the Secret Police chief. The chief did not utter a word. Not a line in my passport had been changed.

"In the air I found myself praying with hot, sincere words—praying for the first time in my life to Eternal God, in Whom I had been brought up not to believe."

**NANCY** Depressing Outlook



By Ernie Bushmiller



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# More Evidence For Defence In PWD Trial

Continuing his evidence in his own defence at the Criminal Sessions this morning, Arthur Frederick May, 41, electrical inspector, grade I, told Mr Justice Williams and the jury that a suspense account which he had suggested had been approved by the Secretary of State but had never come into operation.

The purpose of the suspense account, he said, was to put the labour on the jobs against the account and then debit the cost. It would also give a very accurate distribution of labour on the jobs.

May explained that before he went on leave, when he was at the Wanchai workshop, there was an audit. Except for a few particulars it was quite satisfactory. As a result of that audit he recommended that a suspense account be put into operation.

His Lordship ruled that details of the suspense account were irrelevant and that it was not necessary to put the report before the jury.

May is on trial with Kwok Kwong, 47, foreman, on three charges of larceny by public servant of electrical equipment and three of falsification of documents with intent to defraud the Government.

Mr A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, assisted by Mr J. Johnston, ASP, is conducting the case for the prosecution while May is defended by Mr A.J. Clifford, instructed by Mr J.C. Stewart. Kwok is not legally represented.

Resuming his evidence this morning, May described the distribution board and said that it showed the distribution of labour throughout all the jobs in hand and was an indication as to the progress of the work. It also indicated whether the job was being done fast or slow and whether the jobs were being done according to turn.

The board included workshop men, maintenance men and clerical staff. There for the specific instructions for the foreman, he said. There was no need for an attendance book and (May) had not known of the existence of one. It was introduced before he arrived at Hung Hom workshop and there was no place for it in his system whatever.

"Before I went on leave when I was at Wanchai store," said May, "there was an audit and except for a few particulars it was quite satisfactory. As a result of that audit I recommended that a suspense account be put into operation."

"NOT RELEVANT."

When asked by Mr Clifford to give details of that account, his Lordship interrupted to say that details of this were not relevant to the case.

Mr Clifford: It was approved by the Secretary of State but it is not working.

His Lordship: I rule that details of this are not relevant.

Mr Clifford: Before your Lordship gives his ruling will your Lordship hear me?

His Lordship: Yes, Mr Clifford.

Mr Clifford explained that there were allegations that the working system at the workshops was loose and he was suggesting that that was why May had recommended the suspense account. His submission was that May was all the time trying to tighten the system.

His Lordship: It never came into operation. The suspense account was suggested by May and it was sent home.

Mr Clifford: May did his very best.

Replying to his Counsel as to the purpose of the suspense account, May said that it was to put all labour on the jobs against the account and then debit the cost in order to get a very accurate distribution of labour on the jobs.

Mr Clifford then asked if he could produce May's report on this account but his Lordship ruled that it was not necessary to put the report before the members of the jury.

Mr Clifford: As your Lordship pleases.

Continuing, May said that without the suspense account the system evolved did not appear to be very good, but with the suspense account it would be good.

"DRONES" LAID OFF

Mr Clifford then asked May about the laying-off of workmen and May replied that occasionally in the early days after the war they found that men were working very much slower than before the war and it was necessary to stand-off "drones". He suggested that this should be done.

Mr Clifford: Did you also make a rule about workshop jobs?

May: They all had job numbers. Actually Hung Hom was not a workshop in the true sense of the word.

May read an instruction to foremen stating that no work was to be undertaken unless authorised. This was signed by Kwok Kwong, amongst others.

May said that up to the time he arrived at Hung Hom in March no inventory had been taken of the electrical instal-

## PI Jewels Returned From Japan

Manila, Mar. 11.—Jewellery belonging to the families of Jose Laurel and Camillo Osina, which had been held in custody by SCAP headquarters in Tokyo since the end of the war, was formally returned to the owners by President Quirino yesterday.

Dr Laurel was President and Senator Osina Education Minister during the Philippine government during the Japanese occupation. They went to Japan during the American reconquest of the islands.

Both are candidates for Nationalist Party nomination for President this year.

Mrs Laurel said newspaper reports of the jewellery's value were exaggerated, but she did not estimate the true worth of her jewels.

Mrs Osina said, "My only regret is I have not been able to recover the old love letters my husband wrote me."

President Quirino has urged Philippine representatives in Japan to hasten transactions for the restoration of other Philippine property held by SCAP.—United Press.

to Lee Po-shan to carry out the duties of time-keeper. Lee would sign the daily labour distribution and job reports. May added that after his instructions he assumed that Lee was performing his duties as laid down, and that his instructions were being carried out.

The daily labour distribution returns were made each morning by a chargehand. They were then handed to the time-keeper who would make out the daily labour distribution and job reports and sign them. It was the foreman's job to retail men for jobs under a chargehand, and this was immediately noted on the distribution board.

The attendance chart was also entered up by the time-keeper, and it was his duty to check the attendance against the daily labour distribution and job reports submitted by the chargehands. When he received the reports the following morning, he then signed them, said May. He signed without looking at the date or the details contained in the reports, as it was a daily routine.

"NOT ECONOMICAL"

May: It would not be an economical proposition. The cost of measuring might be less than any wire that might be needed. If there was any wire left over the foreman would return the surplus to the stores on a stores order note.

May added that on one occasion he happened to go into the store and noticed more material lying around than should be. The room was full up with piles of stuff all over the floor and there were only one or two racks. He also wrote a note to Wanchai about returning stores from various jobs.

May added that he depended entirely on the number of men employed on any particular job. When he first went to Wanchai, he was told not to bother with office routine at the time, but to get on with a technical work. He issued instructions on July 22 when he found that a very important form, namely, the lorry log sheet, was not being used. May said he was surprised that these were not used and they were used by the foreman. Log sheets were being made out at the time.

May said he sent out a notice, signed by Kwok Kwong and others, in which it was stated that there would be dismissal if it were found out that returns generally were being made intentionally false.

May added that the log book was made out by the clerk, Lee Po-shan.

LOG SHEETS

Referring to the instructions to the office staff, May said he had found that the log sheets were not being kept. He went into the organisation of the Kowloon office, and began a system similar to that in force in the Wanchai workshop.

He found that instead of one man doing the job of time-keeper, three were employed. He thereupon gave instructions

## Anna May Wong Returns



Anna May Wong, Chinese film actress making screen comeback, talks with two dwellers in San Francisco's Chinatown, near which her new picture is being filmed.—AP Picture.

## Russia To Spend More On Her Armed Forces

### 20% BUDGET RISE

Moscow, March 10.—The Russian Finance Minister Mr A. G. Zverev, told Parliament tonight that the Soviet Union plans to spend almost 20 per cent more on her armed forces this year than last year.

The new figure is 79,000,000,000 roubles—the equivalent of £3,500,000,000 at the Russian official exchange rate.

## Netherlands Blamed For NEI Unrest

Lake Success, Mar. 10.—The United States today strongly criticised the Dutch for their refusal to return the imprisoned Indonesian leaders to Jogjakarta, and told the United Nations the Dutch were to blame for continuation of guerrilla warfare in the rich East Indies.

Mr Warren Austin, American delegate in the Security Council, solidly backed the Republic's stand that it could not accept the Dutch invitation to resume negotiations at the Hague while its leaders were prevented from resuming authority in their capital.

Quoting the job at Kai Tak as an example, May said men were constantly being transferred from one job to another. A total of 92 men were applied to that job, but there were never more than 25 men working on any one day and the figures also fluctuated. It was therefore impossible to notice whether three or four men were missing from the job.

The trial is proceeding.

Mr Zverev announced the largest budget in the Soviet Union's history. It provides for a revenue of 445,208,000,000 roubles during the current calendar year and an expenditure of 415,355,000,000 roubles.

The corresponding figures last year were revenue: 408,400,000,000 roubles, expenditure: 360,800,000,000 roubles.

Mr Zverev revealed that the Government spent 66,000,000,000 roubles on her armed forces last year.

(A budget proposing a total expenditure of about £10,500,000,000, including £3,500,000,000 for armed forces, is pending in the United States Congress. The British military budget calls for £7,500,000,000. No exact comparison is possible between the military budgets of the three great powers on available information.)

This is because of varying costs factors, the different items included in the military budgets of the various nations, and insufficient information on these factors in Russia.)

WHOLESALE COSTS

Mr Zverev's announcement was made in the presence of Prime Minister Joseph Stalin, First Deputy Prime Minister M. Molotov, Deputy Prime Minister A. I. Mikoyan and other high Soviet officials.

The Finance Minister's session gave no indication of last week's Cabinet shift which relieved Mr Molotov of his duties as Foreign Minister and Mr Mikoyan of his job as Minister of Foreign Trade.

Mr Zverev said much of the increase in expenditure for the armed forces is accounted for by high wholesale costs, due to the abolition of state subsidies. The Soviet Union's policy of "peace" will continue, he declared.

The Finance Minister then delivered a sharp attack on the United States. He blamed America for the present troubled international situation. United States military expenditure in this year's budget was 13 times higher than in 1937, Mr Zverev said. He also criticised Britain for increasing her military expenditure.—Associated Press.

## Australia Seeks Plant In UK

Melbourne, Mar. 10.—Four chief engineers from Australia's State Electrical Commission are leaving for Britain this week-end to buy £2,400,000 worth of electrical coal briquetting plant.

If British firms cannot supply the orders in time they will be placed in Switzerland and Germany.

The engineers plan to spend another £2,400,000 on special brown coal briquetting plant in the Anglo-American zones of Germany.—Reuter.

## Britain To Stand By Transjordan

London, Mar. 10.—The British Government intended to carry out its treaty obligations under the Anglo-Transjordan treaty, the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations Mr Philip Noel Baker, said in the House of Commons today.

He would not make a statement about the present position in the Transjordan port of Akaba, where British troops are stationed.

The Minister made his statement during question time, when he told the House that the British Government had informed the Commonwealth Governments of its decision to send a force to Akaba.

They were told that this had been done in response to the request of the Transjordan Government, made under the terms of the British treaty with Transjordan, which gives the Arab State the right to call for military assistance.

"As the other Commonwealth Governments are not parties to this treaty, no question of inviting them to participate arose," he added.

Lord Winterton, Conservative, asked if the Minister would make it perfectly clear that Britain intended to carry out her treaty obligations "whatever the opposition may be from those who have racial affiliations with Israel."

Mr Noel Baker: "It is quite plain that the British Government do intend to carry out their treaty obligations."

Captain Harry Crookshank asked if the Minister could make any statement in view of the "rather alarming statements in some newspapers today."

Mr Noel Baker replied: "I think I had better not do that. I had better leave it to the Foreign Minister."—Reuter.

### BUNCHE'S WARNING

Rhodes, Mar. 10.—Dr Ralph Bunche, the acting United Nations Mediator for Palestine, tonight warned Israel and Transjordan that he would charter them with a breach of the Security Council's cease fire resolutions if either side carried on military activities in the Akaba area of Southern Palestine.

Dr Bunche's warning followed complaints by Transjordan of Jewish land and air activities inside Arab Legion territory in the area north of the Red Sea, where the frontiers of Transjordan and Palestine meet.

Transjordan charged that Jewish troops, equipped with jeeps and armoured vehicles, had penetrated to within 35 kilometres of the town of Akaba.—Reuter.

## Tough Time For Troops

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"In such circumstances, a very high state of efficiency in the use of weapons, in physical fitness and personal courage is necessary. The living conditions for our troops, even when not in action, are not as satisfactory as I should like, although every attempt is being made to improve them."

"When they are in action, the conditions are, I am advised, as bad as can be experienced anywhere. Nevertheless, in the face of all these difficulties, our troops are performing their part with great vigour."

Asking the House to vote for the coming year—compared with £360 million (request for £55 million) for the current year, Mr Shinwell said that the need of the other Western Union countries for equipment to train their forces is so urgent that Britain may have to draw substantially on her own reserves.

Britain has already offered certain types of equipment surplus to her immediate needs, he added.—Reuter.

## Radio Hongkong

12.15 Catholic Prayers by the Rev. Father R. W. Gallagher, S.J. (Studio); 12.30 Daily Programme (Studio); 12.45 Light Variety; 1.15 Accents on Rhythm (BBC); 1.30 News, Weather Report and 1.45 Round-up; 1.55 Interlude; 2.30 "Music for You"; 2.45 Close Down; 3.00 Programme Summary; 3.15 Children's Half Hour: The story of Music in England during the last four hundred years. Written by Four Hundred Years. 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